

IN THE CLAIMS

A4 1. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented position tracking system,
comprising:
a ~~processor; and~~
a ~~computer readable medium encoded with processor readable instructions that when~~
~~executed by the processor implement,~~
means for selecting a destination of position information related to a remotely located
device;
means for selecting a data format for the position information;
means for transmitting said position information to said selected destination in said
selected data format;
~~a position information receiving mechanism configured to receive at least one of~~
~~compatible~~ means for receiving said position information ~~and incompatible position~~
~~information from a~~ the remotely located device via a wide area network using a protocol[,];
and
~~a position information formatting mechanism configured to convert the incompatible~~
~~position information into compatible position information, and~~
~~a position information mapping mechanism configured to present~~ means for mapping
the received ~~compatible~~ position information as location indicators on a map.

2. (Original) The system of Claim 1, wherein at least a portion of the wide area
network comprises the Internet.

3. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 1, wherein said protocol comprises at
~~least one~~ of a store-and-forward protocol and a direct connection protocol.

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4. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 1, wherein said protocol comprises ~~at least one of a file transfer protocol and a simple mail transfer protocol.~~

5. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 1, wherein:
said ~~at least one of compatible position information and incompatible position information~~ comprises historical position information corresponding to a time when said system was inactive[,] and

said means for mapping position information ~~mapping mechanism~~ further comprises a ~~historical~~ means for mapping ~~mechanism configured to present~~ the historical information as location indicators on a map.

6. (Original) The system of Claim 1, wherein said location indicators indicate at least one of a current position of said remotely located device and a path taken by said remotely located device.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) A method for mapping a position of a position reporting device, comprising ~~the steps of:~~

selecting a destination of the position information related to said position reporting device;

selecting a data format for the position information;

transmitting said position information to said selected destination in said selected data format;

A4 receiving ~~at least one of compatible~~ said position information and ~~incompatible~~ position information from the position reporting device via a wide area network using a protocol;

~~formatting the incompatible position information into compatible position information if said incompatible position information is received in said receiving step; and~~

mapping the ~~compatible~~ received position information as location indicators on a displayable map.

9. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein at least a portion of the wide area network comprises the Internet.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 8, wherein said protocol comprises at least one of a store-and-forward protocol and a direct connection protocol.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 8, wherein said protocol comprises at least one of a file transfer protocol and a simple mail transfer protocol.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 8, further comprising ~~the step of:~~
receiving ~~at least one of compatible~~ historical position information and ~~incompatible~~ historical information from the position reporting device via a wide area network using a protocol, the historical position information corresponding to past position information of the position reporting device;

~~formatting the incompatible historical position information into compatible historical position information; and~~

mapping the received ~~compatible~~ historical position information as location indicators on a displayable map.

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13. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein said location indicators indicate at least one of a current position of said position reporting device and a path taken by said position reporting device.

14. (Currently Amended) A computer program product, comprising:
a computer storage medium; and
a computer program code mechanism embedded in the computer storage medium for causing a computer to map a position of a position reporting device, the computer program code mechanism ~~having~~ comprising

a first computer code device configured to select a destination of position information related to the position reporting device;

a second computer code device configured to select a data format for the position information; and

a third computer code device configured to transmit the position information to said selected destination in said selected data format via a wide area network using a protocol

~~a first computer code device configured to receive position information from the position reporting device via a wide area network using a protocol;~~

~~a second computer code device configured to format the position information into formatted position information compatible with a third computer code device, and~~

~~the third computer code device configured to map the formatted position information onto a displayable map.~~

15. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of Claim 14, wherein:

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said ~~first~~ third computer code device further comprises a fourth computer code device configured to ~~receive~~ transmit historical position information via the wide area network using the protocol, said historical position information corresponding to past position information of the position reporting device, ~~and~~

~~said second computer code device further comprises a fifth computer code device configured to format the historical position information into formatted position information.~~

16. (Original) The computer program product of Claim 14, wherein:

said computer program code mechanism comprises at least one of a dynamic link library, a static link library, a script, a JAVA class, a C++ class, and a C library routine.

17. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of Claim 14, wherein at least a portion of the wide ~~are~~ area network comprises the Internet.

18. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of Claim 14, wherein said protocol comprises ~~at least~~ one of a store-and-forward protocol and a direct connection protocol.

19. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of Claim 14, wherein said protocol comprises ~~at least~~ one of a file transfer protocol and a simple mail transfer protocol.

20. (Cancelled)
